
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

S-254, S-527 & S-194 HAVE BEEN POSTPONED AT SPONSOR'S REQUEST

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Monday, March 15, 2021

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: Virtual Meeting via WebEx

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [263](#)

BY Coyne, Ruggerio, Gallo, Lombardo, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Sosnowski, Miller, Lombardi, DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN {LC958/1}
(Raises the legal age for persons to purchase or be sold or delivered certain tobacco products, electronic nicotine-delivery systems and liquid nicotine containers from eighteen (18) years of age to twenty-one (21) years of age.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [258](#)

BY Sosnowski, Coyne, Seveney, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES {LC1596/1}
(Allows cities and towns to create ordinances to regulate the use and sales of cigarettes, other tobacco products, and electronic nicotine delivery systems.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [127](#)

BY Calkin, Anderson, Acosta, Mack, Mendes, Bell, Quezada

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENERGY SITING {LC521/1} (Requires carbon-emissions-reduction goals be considered in energy plant siting proceedings.)

01/26/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [132](#)

BY Valverde, DiMario, Sosnowski, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY -- HEMP GROWTH ACT {LC1044/1} (Authorizes cities and towns to enact ordinances to address and protect their citizens' public safety and welfare from the impact of hemp cultivation and any of its derivative products.)

01/26/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [187](#)

BY Sosnowski, Coyne, Miller, McCaffrey, Gallo, Euer, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL {LC669/1} (Authorizes the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, to appoint an executive director of coastal resources management to act as a liaison to the director of the department of environmental management to plan and manage coastal resources.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [194](#)

~~BY de la Cruz, Euer, Miller, Felag, DiPalma~~

~~ENTITLED,~~ AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ~~ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT {LC255/1} (Increases membership from 3 to 5 members/revises siting process to mandate public/municipal participation.)~~

~~02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary~~

~~03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

Senate Bill No. [219](#)

BY Acosta, Mack, Calkin, Anderson, Kallman, Bell, Mendes

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING CONSTRUCTION {LC1178/1} (Creates the housing jobs department and a series of other initiatives designed to create jobs in housing construction, specifically affordable and low-income housing, green and solar energy jobs and programs for low-income individuals.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [254](#)

~~BY Lombardo, Lombardi, Morgan, Rogers, Paolino, de la Cruz~~

~~ENTITLED,~~ AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ~~REFUSE DISPOSAL--ELIMINATION OF POST-USE POLYMERS AND RECOVERED FEEDSTOCKS USED IN ADVANCED RECYCLING PROCESSES FROM SOLID WASTE {LC1200/1}~~ (Exempts post-use polymers and recovered feedstocks used in advanced recycling processes from the definition of solid waste.)

~~02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary~~

~~03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

Senate Bill No. [321](#)

BY Euer, Cano, Murray, DiMario, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HEALTH AND SAFETY {LC637/1} (Updates and modernize the Department of Environmental Management's ability to enforce environmental laws, and more specifically modifies practices regarding a Notice of Violation.)

02/18/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. 527

~~BY Valverde, Euer, DiMario, Miller, Anderson, Raptakis~~

~~ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY-HIGH-HEAT WASTE FACILITY ACT OF 2021 {LC2363/1} (Prohibits new high-heat waste processing facilities.)~~

~~03/04/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary~~

~~03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration~~

Senate Bill No. 540

BY Mack, Mendes, Acosta, Quezada, Calkin, Anderson, Bell, Kallman, DiMario, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE GREEN JUSTICE ZONE ACT {LC1411/1} (Establishes the first Green Justice Zone, a model that may be replicated in future years to ensure that all communities throughout the state have clean air and clean water.)

03/04/2021 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/11/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The State House continues to be closed to the public at this time.

This meeting will be streamed live online through Capitol TV

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

Written testimony is encouraged and can be submitted to the committee by emailing it to:

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*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 2:00 PM on Monday, March 15, 2021, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

Members of the public can request to provide verbal testimony to the committee through the following link: [VERBAL TESTIMONY](#)

***Requests to provide verbal testimony must be submitted by 4:00 PM on Sunday, March 14, 2021.**

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Committee Clerk

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